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Q1FY25 Result Update

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Change in Estimates

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	FY25E	FY26E	FY25E	FY26E
Rating	RED	UCE	REI	DUCE
Target Price	8	22	8	11
Sales (Rs. m)	48,300	52,578	47,647	50,676
% Chng.	1.4	3.8		
EBITDA (Rs. m)	16,442	17,862	16,657	17,678
% Chng.	(1.3)	1.0		
EPS (Rs.)	16.2	17.3	16.2	17.1
% Chng.	(0.2)	1.4		

Key Financials - Standalone

Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Sales (Rs. m)	35,415	42,702	48,300	52,578
EBITDA (Rs. m)	12,762	14,660	16,442	17,862
Margin (%)	36.0	34.3	34.0	34.0
PAT (Rs. m)	9,787	11,696	12,930	13,844
EPS (Rs.)	12.2	14.6	16.2	17.3
Gr. (%)	47.5	19.5	10.5	7.1
DPS (Rs.)	5.5	6.5	7.0	7.5
Yield (%)	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8
RoE (%)	44.9	41.0	35.9	31.8
RoCE (%)	56.0	49.4	43.4	38.7
EV/Sales (x)	20.3	16.8	14.7	13.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	56.5	48.9	43.3	39.5
PE (x)	75.6	63.3	57.2	53.4
P/BV (x)	29.8	22.9	18.6	15.6

Key Data	INIR.BO IRCTC IN
52-W High / Low	Rs.1,148 / Rs.636
Sensex / Nifty	80,437 / 24,541
Market Cap	Rs.740bn/ \$ 8,812m
Shares Outstanding	800m
3M Avg. Daily Value	Rs.3284.98m

Shareholding Pattern (%)

Promoter's	62.40
Foreign	7.78
Domestic Institution	13.74
Public & Others	16.06
Promoter Pledge (Rs bn)	-

Stock Performance (%)

	1M	6M	12M
Absolute	(10.1)	(1.7)	44.2
Relative	(9.9)	(11.9)	17.2

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Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC IN)

Rating: REDUCE | CMP: Rs925 | TP: Rs822

Catering division continues to shine

Quick Pointers:

~118mn tickets booked with a convenience fee income of Rs2.24bn.

While Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation's (IRCTC IN) top-line was broadly in-line with our estimates, operational performance was weak with EBITDA margin of 33.5% (PLe 35.3%). We believe growth in internet ticketing division has plateaued with e-booking penetration at ~83% and expectation of a mid-single digit growth in volumes over FY24-FY26E. In addition, rising share of low yielding UPI transactions (45% share in 1QFY25) will limit the scope for margin expansion. While we have re-aligned our top-line estimates amid strong performance in catering division, our EPS estimates remain broadly intact given the segment commands lower margin. During FY24, catering/internet ticketing division contributed 45%/30% to IRCTC's top-line and 20%/77% to its EBIT. We believe scope for earnings surprise is limited given growth in high margin internet ticketing division has plateaued. We expect sales/PAT CAGR of 11%/12% over FY24-FY26E and retain 'REDUCE' with a TP of Rs822 (earlier Rs811) after assigning a multiple of 47.5x (no change) over FY26E EPS.

Catering division drives growth: Revenue increased 11.8% YoY to Rs11,202mn (PLe Rs11,142mn). Catering revenue surged 17.1% YoY to Rs5,589mn (PLe Rs5,105mn). Rail Neer revenue was up by 16.2% YoY to Rs1,115mn (PLe Rs1,055) with an EBIT margin of 12.2% (PLe 12.5%). Internet ticketing revenue increased 13.4% YoY to Rs3,291mn (PLe Rs3,354mn). However, revenue from Tourism was down by 12.4% YoY to Rs to Rs1,249mn (PLe Rs1,628mn) as State Teertha and Bharat Gaurav trains were not operational due to elections.

EBITDA/adjusted PAT jumps 9.3%/7.5% YoY, respectively: EBITDA increased 9.3% YoY to Rs3,749mn (PLe Rs3,934mn) with a margin of 33.5% (PLe of 35.3%). Adjusted PAT increased 7.5% YoY to Rs3,055mn (PLe of Rs3,033mn) with a margin of 27.3% (PLe 27.2%) as against 28.4%/23.9% in 1QFY24/4QFY24 respectively.

Con-call highlights: 1) In Q1FY25, convenience/non-convenience revenue stood at Rs2.2bn/Rs1.0bn respectively. 2) Non-convenience fee was down by Rs120mn on sequential basis as 4QFY24 had one-time gain from social media advertising due to elections. 3) ~118mn tickets were booked in 1QFY25. 4) Capacity utilization for Rail Neer plants stood at 86% including the three new plants that were added. 5) Rail Neer's current production capacity is ~1.8mn bottles per day and average production for the quarter was ~1.4mn bottles per day. 6) A new rail neer plant at Vijaywada is expected to open in Oct'25 along with 2 more plants being planned at Mysore & Varanasi. 7) UPI share stood at 45% in 1QFY25. 8) Out of 1,259 trains catered by IRCTC for catering services, 117 were prepaid trains, 440 were mail express trains and 700 trains were served via TSVs contracts.



Exhibit 1: Q1FY25 Result Overview (Rs mn)

Y/e March	1QFY25	1QFY24	YoY gr.	4QFY24	QoQ gr.	FY25E	FY24	YoY gr.
Net sales	11,202	10,018	11.8%	11,548	-3.0%	48,300	42,702	13.1%
Total raw material cost	896	694	29.2%	516	73.6%	3,080	2,454	25.5%
As a % of sales	8.0%	6.9%		4.5%		6.4%	5.7%	
Expenses of catering	3,942	3,329	18.4%	3,941	0.0%	15,364	13,670	12.4%
As a % of sales	35.2%	33.2%		34.1%		31.8%	32.0%	
Expenses of tourism	976	1,101	-11.4%	1,504	-35.1%	6,349	5,504	15.4%
As a % of sales	8.7%	11.0%		13.0%		13.1%	12.9%	
Manufacturing & direct expenses	467	380	22.8%	527	-11.4%	1,896	1,746	8.6%
As a % of sales	4.2%	3.8%		4.6%		3.9%	4.1%	
Employee expenses	745	663	12.4%	838	-11.1%	3,188	2,890	10.3%
As a % of sales	6.6%	6.6%		7.3%		6.6%	6.8%	
Other expenses	426	421	1.2%	595	-28.4%	1,980	1,777	11.5%
As a % of sales	3.8%	4.2%		5.2%		4.1%	4.2%	
EBITDA	3,749	3,430	9.3%	3,627	3.4%	16,442	14,660	12.2%
EBITDA margin	33.5%	34.2%		31.4%		34.0%	34.3%	
Depreciation	139	137	1.3%	156	-11.2%	819	572	43.1%
EBIT	3,611	3,293	9.6%	3,471	4.0%	15,623	14,087	10.9%
EBIT margin	32.2%	32.9%		30.1%		32.3%	33.0%	
Interest cost	28	41	-31.6%	53	-47.2%	217	186	16.6%
Other income	514	392	31.1%	326	57.6%	1,950	1,645	18.6%
PBT	4,096	3,644	12.4%	3,743	9.4%	17,356	15,546	11.6%
Exceptional items	22	(519)	NM	79	-72.0%	22	(585)	NM
Tax expenses	1,041	803	29.7%	979	6.4%	4,426	3,850	15.0%
Tax rate	25.3%	25.7%		25.6%		25.5%	25.7%	
PAT	3,077	2,322	32.5%	2,844	8.2%	12,952	11,111	16.6%
PAT margin	27.5%	23.2%		24.6%		26.8%	26.0%	
EPS (Rs)	3.8	2.9	32.5%	3.6	8.2%	16.2	13.9	16.6%
Adj. PAT	3,055	2,841	7.5%	2,765	10.5%	12,930	11,696	10.5%

Source: Company, PL



Exhibit 2: Segmental Breakup (Rs mn)

Y/e March	1QFY25	1QFY24	YoY gr.	4QFY24	QoQ gr.
Catering					
Revenue	5,589	4,771	17.1%	5,308	5.3%
As a % of sales	49.7%	47.4%		45.8%	
EBIT	779	697	11.8%	465	67.7%
EBIT margin	13.9%	14.6%		8.8%	
Internet ticketing					
Revenue	3,291	2,901	13.4%	3,424	-3.9%
As a % of sales	29.3%	28.8%		29.6%	
EBIT	2,723	2,400	13.5%	2,751	-1.0%
EBIT margin	82.8%	82.7%		80.3%	
Toursim (Incl State Teertha)					
Revenue	1,249	1,425	-12.4%	2,017	-38.1%
As a % of sales	11.1%	14.2%		17.4%	
EBIT	93	(382)	NM	189	-50.7%
EBIT margin	7.5%	NM		9.4%	
Rail Neer					
Revenue	1,115	959	16.2%	830	34.4%
As a % of sales	9.9%	9.5%		7.2%	
EBIT	136	121	11.9%	107	27.4%
EBIT margin	12.2%	12.6%		12.8%	
Total revenues	11,243	10,056	11.8%	11,579	-2.9%

Source: Company, PL



Financials

Income Statement	(Rs m)
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Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Net Revenues	35,415	42,702	48,300	52,578
YoY gr. (%)	88.5	20.6	13.1	8.9
Cost of Goods Sold	1,950	2,454	3,080	3,356
Gross Profit	33,464	40,248	45,220	49,222
Margin (%)	94.5	94.3	93.6	93.6
Employee Cost	2,455	2,890	3,188	3,470
Other Expenses	1,627	1,777	1,980	2,051
EBITDA	12,762	14,660	16,442	17,862
YoY gr. (%)	46.1	14.9	12.2	8.6
Margin (%)	36.0	34.3	34.0	34.0
Depreciation and Amortization	537	572	819	993
EBIT	12,225	14,087	15,623	16,869
Margin (%)	34.5	33.0	32.3	32.1
Net Interest	161	186	217	237
Other Income	1,204	1,645	1,950	1,950
Profit Before Tax	13,540	14,960	17,378	18,582
Margin (%)	38.2	35.0	36.0	35.3
Total Tax	3,481	3,850	4,426	4,738
Effective tax rate (%)	25.7	25.7	25.5	25.5
Profit after tax	10,059	11,111	12,952	13,844
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associate	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	9,787	11,696	12,930	13,844
YoY gr. (%)	47.5	19.5	10.5	7.1
Margin (%)	27.6	27.4	26.8	26.3
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	272	(585)	22	-
Reported PAT	10,059	11,111	12,952	13,844
YoY gr. (%)	52.5	10.5	16.6	6.9
Margin (%)	28.4	26.0	26.8	26.3
Other Comprehensive Income	22	3	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	10,081	11,114	12,952	13,844
Equity Shares O/s (m)	800	800	800	800
EPS (Rs)	12.2	14.6	16.2	17.3

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs m)

Balance Sheet Abstract (Rs	m)			
Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
Non-Current Assets				
Gross Block	5,821	6,008	11,108	11,908
Tangibles	5,688	5,870	10,970	11,770
Intangibles	133	138	138	138
Acc: Dep / Amortization	2,578	2,842	3,661	4,654
Tangibles	2,472	2,736	3,555	4,548
Intangibles	106	106	106	106
Net fixed assets	3,243	3,166	7,447	7,254
Tangibles	3,216	3,133	7,415	7,222
Intangibles	27	32	32	32
Capital Work In Progress	338	4,425	425	425
Goodwill	-	-	-	-
Non-Current Investments	267	274	274	274
Net Deferred tax assets	1,305	1,413	1,388	1,394
Other Non-Current Assets	2,207	193	386	421
Current Assets				
Investments	-	-	-	-
Inventories	96	110	265	288
Trade receivables	11,429	13,743	14,821	16,133
Cash & Bank Balance	19,337	22,776	27,426	34,825
Other Current Assets	10,576	12,237	12,769	13,795
Total Assets	50,888	60,912	67,616	77,438
Equity				
Equity Share Capital	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
Other Equity	23,184	30,698	38,081	45,902
Total Networth	24,784	32,298	39,681	47,502
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term borrowings	-	-	-	-
Provisions	1,054	1,161	724	789
Other non current liabilities	167	175	145	158
Current Liabilities				
ST Debt / Current of LT Debt	-	-	-	-
Trade payables	8,522	9,977	11,248	12,244
Other current liabilities	15,392	16,340	14,772	15,538
Total Equity & Liabilities	50,888	60,912	67,616	77,438

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E
PBT	13,540	14,960	17,356	18,582
Add. Depreciation	537	572	819	993
Add. Interest	-	-	-	-
Less Financial Other Income	1,204	1,645	1,950	1,950
Add. Other	(776)	(1,136)	22	-
Op. profit before WC changes	13,301	14,396	18,196	19,575
Net Changes-WC	(910)	(1,097)	(2,452)	(615)
Direct tax	(4,290)	(4,478)	(4,426)	(4,738)
Net cash from Op. activities	8,101	8,822	11,318	14,222
Capital expenditures	(674)	(2,324)	(1,100)	(800)
Interest / Dividend Income	625	1,066	-	-
Others	(3,102)	(741)	-	-
Net Cash from Invt. activities	(3,151)	(1,999)	(1,100)	(800)
Issue of share cap. / premium	-	-	-	-
Debt changes	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid	(4,000)	(3,600)	(5,569)	(6,022)
Interest paid	-	-	-	-
Others	(343)	(443)	-	-
Net cash from Fin. activities	(4,343)	(4,043)	(5,569)	(6,022)
Net change in cash	606	2,779	4,649	7,400
Free Cash Flow	7,426	6,497	10,218	13,422

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Quarterly Financials (Rs m)

Y/e Mar	Q2FY24	Q3FY24	Q4FY24	Q1FY25
Net Revenue	9,953	11,183	11,548	11,202
YoY gr. (%)	23.5	21.8	19.7	11.8
Raw Material Expenses	553	691	516	896
Gross Profit	9,400	10,492	11,031	10,305
Margin (%)	94.4	93.8	95.5	92.0
EBITDA	3,666	3,940	3,627	3,749
YoY gr. (%)	20.2	20.9	11.7	9.3
Margin (%)	36.8	35.2	31.4	33.5
Depreciation / Depletion	140	139	156	139
EBIT	3,526	3,801	3,471	3,611
Margin (%)	35.4	34.0	30.1	32.2
Net Interest	44	48	53	28
Other Income	471	456	326	514
Profit before Tax	3,952	4,209	3,743	4,096
Margin (%)	39.7	37.6	32.4	36.6
Total Tax	1,005	1,064	979	1,041
Effective tax rate (%)	25.4	25.3	26.1	25.4
Profit after Tax	2,947	3,145	2,765	3,055
Minority interest	-	-	-	-
Share Profit from Associates	-	-	-	-
Adjusted PAT	2,947	3,145	2,765	3,055
YoY gr. (%)	30.4	23.7	9.3	7.5
Margin (%)	29.6	28.1	23.9	27.3
Extra Ord. Income / (Exp)	-	(145)	79	22
Reported PAT	2,947	3,000	2,844	3,077
YoY gr. (%)	30.4	17.4	2.0	32.5
Margin (%)	29.6	26.8	24.6	27.5
Other Comprehensive Income	18	(1)	(1)	3
Total Comprehensive Income	2,965	2,999	2,842	3,080
Avg. Shares O/s (m)	800	800	800	800
EPS (Rs)	3.7	3.9	3.5	3.8

Source: Company Data, PL Research

Key Financial Metrics						
Y/e Mar	FY23	FY24	FY25E	FY26E		
Per Share(Rs)						
EPS	12.2	14.6	16.2	17.3		
CEPS	12.9	15.3	17.2	18.5		
BVPS	31.0	40.4	49.6	59.4		
FCF	9.3	8.1	12.8	16.8		
DPS	5.5	6.5	7.0	7.5		
Return Ratio(%)						
RoCE	56.0	49.4	43.4	38.7		
ROIC	367.1	181.5	136.0	143.4		
RoE	44.9	41.0	35.9	31.8		
Balance Sheet						
Net Debt : Equity (x)	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7)		
Net Working Capital (Days)	31	33	29	29		
Valuation(x)						
PER	75.6	63.3	57.2	53.4		
P/B	29.8	22.9	18.6	15.6		
P/CEPS	71.7	60.3	53.8	49.9		
EV/EBITDA	56.5	48.9	43.3	39.5		
EV/Sales	20.3	16.8	14.7	13.4		
Dividend Yield (%)	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8		

Source: Company Data, PL Research

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No.	Date	Rating	TP (Rs.) Share F	TP (Rs.) Share Price (Rs.)	
1	08-Jul-24	Reduce	811	1,026	
2	30-May-24	Reduce	811	1,025	
3	12-Apr-24	Hold	825	1,023	
4	14-Feb-24	Hold	825	929	
5	05-Jan-24	Hold	749	902	
6	08-Nov-23	Hold	709	677	
7	09-Oct-23	Hold	700	720	

Analyst Coverage Universe

Sr. No.	Company Name	Rating	TP (Rs)	Share Price (Rs)
1	Chalet Hotels	Accumulate	887	836
2	Imagicaaworld Entertainment	BUY	116	79
3	Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation	Reduce	811	1,026
4	Inox Leisure	BUY	587	502
5	InterGlobe Aviation	Accumulate	4,958	4,493
6	Lemon Tree Hotels	BUY	159	126
7	Navneet Education	Hold	161	156
8	Nazara Technologies	Hold	923	922
9	PVR Inox	Hold	1,474	1,430
10	S Chand and Company	BUY	312	216
11	Safari Industries (India)	BUY	2,476	2,237
12	V.I.P. Industries	Hold	454	451
13	Zee Entertainment Enterprises	Hold	157	149

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 Buy
 : > 15%

 Accumulate
 : 5% to 15%

 Hold
 : +5% to -5%

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 : -5% to -15%

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 : < -15%</td>

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